GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – School Education – Sri R.Ramarao, the then Dy. Director, Adult Education (now retired) – Disciplinary proceedings initiated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules - Articles of charge framed – Penalty imposed - Denova enquiry- Hon'ble APAT set aside the penalty - Further action dropped - Orders – Issued.

SCHOOL EDUCATION (VIG) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No.199 Dated:07/11/2022
Read the following:-

1. From the Director, Adult Education, A.P, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.3344/B2/ DAE/2007, dt:27.06.2007.
2. Govt Memo No.9803/SE.Vig/A1/07-1 & 2, dt:23.07.2007.
3. From the Director, Adult Education, A.P, Hyd., Lr.Rc.No.3344/B2/ DAE/2007, dt:30.06.2007.
4. G.O.Rt.No.559,School Education (Vig) Department, dt:05.08.2008.
5. G.O. Ms.No.25, School Education (Vig) Dept., dt:30.04.2015. Orders of the Hon'ble APAT, dt:30.10.2017 in OA No.1612/2016.
6. Govt. Memo No.252874/SE:Vig.I(1)/2016, dated 06.05.2019.
7. G.O.Rt.No.146 & 147, School Education(Vig) Dept., dt:08.05.2019.
8. From Sri J.Satyanarayana, IPS, COI & Inquiry Authority, D.O Lr. No.61/COI-JS/2019, dt:01.10.2020.
9. From the Director of Adult Education, A.P, Lr. Rc.No.7036/A2/DAE/ 2016, dt:05.07.2021 & 12.08.2022.

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In the G.O 4th read above, disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Sri R. Rama Rao, the then Deputy Director, Adult Education (Now Retired), under rule - 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, by framing Articles of charges, on the allegations of failure to guide the then District Collector by bringing the guidelines/instructions of the Government of India and the Director of Adult Education given by NLM, in purchasing of material by ZSS.

2. After following the due procedure, Government, vide G.O.5th read above, Government imposed the penalty of 10% cut in pension for a period of (5) years, besides recovery of misappropriated amount of Rs.2,12,325/- from the pensionary benefits payable to him, under rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

3. Aggrieved by the above, Sri R. Rama Rao, Dy. Director of Adult Education (Retd.), has fled OA No.1612/2016. The A.P Administrative Tribunal in its orders dated: dt:30.10.2017 has set aside the orders issued in the G.O 5th read above, stating that this order does not preclude the respondents from conducting departmental enquiry against the applicant, as per rules and passing orders.

4. Government, after detailed examination, have decided to conduct denova enquiry, into the charges framed against Sri R.Rama Rao, Dy. Director of Adult Education (Retd). Accordingly, in the G.Os 8th read above, Government appointed Sri Satyanarayana, IPS (Rtd), Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiring Authority and Sri Sarva Srinivasa Rao, advocate as the Presenting Officer, to inquire into the charges framed against Sri R. Rama Rao, Dy. Director of Adult Education (Retd).

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5. In the letter 9th read above, Sri T.Satyanarayana, IPS (Retd.), CoI & Inquiring Authority, has submitted enquiry report, stating that PW-1, who is the then District Collector and Chairman, ZSS, Warangal in his rectification report under Ex.P1 has concluded that the Charged Officer has no role in the irregularities pointed out in the inspection reports of Director of Adult Education, for the period from 01.07.2003 to 25.08.2007 on which the charges were framed against the CO and the Charges I to VI framed against the CO cannot be held proved. In the letter 10th read above, the Director of Adult Education, AP, has stated that the Charged Officer is not having any cheque power and also not involved in the charges levelled against him.

6. Since the Hon'ble APAT in O.A No.1612/2016 dated:30.04.2017 has set aside the punishment imposed in the G.O.5th read above, Government after careful examination of the enquiry report and the remarks furnished by the Director of Adult Education, hereby drop the charges framed against Sri R.Ramarao, the then Dy. Director, Adult Education (now retired) and consequently, the orders of imposing the punishment/penalty on him, are cancelled.

7. The Director of Adult Education shall take further necessary action accordingly, in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B RAJSEKHAR
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri R.Rama Rao, Deputy Director (Retired), Adult Education Dept.,
(through the Director of Adult Education (I/c), A.P, Vijayawada).
The Director of Adult Education (I/c) ,A.P, Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P, Vijayawada.
The Pay and Accounts Ofcer, Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, A.P., Vijayawada.
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SECTION OFFICER